

Via Priority Mail

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Re: In Re Application of Emergent Communications LLC to Abandon its Resale and Local Exchange License Authorities

Ladies or Gentlemen:

I submit this letter on behalf of Emergent Communications LLC (Emergent) to abandon its authorities to offer Resale residential telecommunications services and Local Exchange Services in Illinois. Emergent is a CLEC that the Public Utilities Commission of Illinois granted the authority to sell resale and Local Exchange Services to residential telephone customers in Illinois on July 25, 2001 (Docket No. 01-0305). Emergent's ultimate parent company, New Access Communications LLC has separate authority in Illinois, and will continue as a CLEC in Illinois.

Emergent wishes to discontinue its operations and dissolve. The company wishes to complete the dissolution on or before December 31, 2004. Emergent has never had any Illinois residential or other telecommunications customers. It has never marketed its telecommunications services in Illinois after obtaining its licenses.

Emergent wishes to abandon its Resale and Local Exchange Service residential telecommunications licenses in Illinois. Please confirm that the request to abandon the above granted authorities is approved, so that Emergent can be voluntarily dissolved as a company.

I am submitting a Verification of Application Letter that verifies all of the information submitted to the Commission in this letter regarding this abandonment of authority by Emergent.

As required by the Commission rules of practice, I am submitting five copies of this letter request and the Verification of Application Letter. Please return an acknowledgment copy of this letter indicating the filing docket number in the enclosed postage paid return envelope.

Please contact me should you need any further information to process this request.

Sincerely,

Drew S. Backstrand

Enclosures

## BEFORE THE ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

APPLICATION BY LETTER OF	)	
EMERGENT COMMUNICATIONS LLC	)	Docket No
TO ABANDON ITS RESALE AND LOCAL	)	
EXCHANGE AUTHORITIES IN ILLINOIS	<b>)</b>	

## **VERIFICATION OF APPLICATION LETTER**

Drew S. Backstrand swears and affirms under the penalties of perjury that:

- 1. My name is Drew S. Backstrand, counsel retained by Emergent

  Communications LLC (Emergent) to assist it to abandon its resale and local exchange
  authorities as a telecommunications company in Illinois. I am licensed to practice law in
  the state of Minnesota.
- 2. I am over the age of eighteen and in all respects competent to make the representations contained herein. The information contained herein is within the scope of my knowledge as counsel for Emergent.
- 3. The facts set forth in my letter Application to Abandon dated November 29, 2004 sent to the Illinois Commerce Commission (Exhibit A) are true and accurate in all respects.

## [Signature page to Illinois Verification of Application Letter]

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Drew S. Backstrand

STATE OF MINNESOTA )

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN )

Subscribed and sworn before me this 29th day of November 2004.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:  $\sqrt{-3(-0)}$ 

GREGORY L. V'ILMES
NOTARY PUBLIC-MINNESOTA
My Commission Expires Jan. 31, 2005